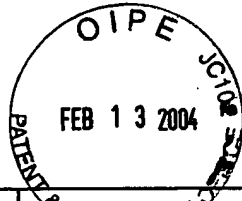


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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted:
 - i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on January 6, 2004 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
- b. ☐ Enclosed:
 - i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure statement (IDS)

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required).
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.
 - i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)
 - ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. ☒ Other all necessary fees
- b. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed).

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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